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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Berkeley – UC Berkeley Clears, Fences Off People's Park, but Protesters Return

(U) People's Park was fenced in, officially marking the start of UC Berkeley's construction of a \$312 million student housing project on the historic property. But within hours, protesters had pried open several sections of the fence and clashed with police, halting tree-cutters who were beginning to clear a section of the three-acre park. More than 50-feet of the fence had been torn down and hundreds-of-police and security guards had retreated from the park.

SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [Lake County Record-Bee](#)

(U) Los Altos Hills – Arson Suspect Detained After Ten Fires in One Day

(U) Ten fires were discovered along a road in Los Altos Hills, and a suspected arsonist was detained, the Santa Clara County Fire Department said. Firefighters were called to Josefa Lane, where they found the separate fires. There are about a dozen homes along the road, and a few were briefly evacuated. There were no reports of injuries or damage to buildings, fire officials said. Fire officials will continue the investigation but there is no ongoing threat. No information was released about the person detained.

SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [The Mercury News](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – US CBP Agents Find More Than 40 Migrants in Tractor-Trailer at Checkpoint

(U) Laredo – The incident occurred when a commercial vehicle approached the primary inspection lane, and during the immigration inspection of the driver, a service canine alerted to the vehicle. US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents referred the driver to secondary inspection. After opening the trailer, agents discovered more than 40 undocumented individuals inside. The individuals were identified as being from the countries of Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala. The tractor-trailer was reported as being stolen out of San Antonio, Texas.

SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [CBP](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – Scammers Targeting Sponsors Trying to Help Ukrainians Reach US

(U) Washington – A recently reported scam is targeting sponsors who are trying to help Ukrainians come to the United States, according to US immigration officials. The reports described "a basic e-mail phishing scam that requested payment from prospective Uniting for Ukraine supporters before US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) would review an application," the agency said. In reality, the program does not charge a fee for the filing of a declaration of financial support, one of the documents would-be sponsors are required to submit.

SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [CNN](#)

(U) Illinois – Highland Park Shooting Suspect Pleads Not Guilty to 117 Criminal Charges

(U) Highland Park – Robert E. Crimo III pleaded not guilty to 117 criminal charges filed against him after he allegedly fired from a rooftop during a Fourth of July parade in Highland Park, killing seven people

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and wounding 48 others. Crimo was indicted two-weeks ago on the charges. They include three counts for each person who died and counts of attempted murder and aggravated battery for each person wounded that day. He faces natural life-in-prison if convicted of two or more of the murder charges.
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [Chicago Sun Times](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – Two Taliban Police Officers Killed in Clash with ISIS Gunmen

(U) Islamabad – A gun battle in Afghanistan's capital of Kabul left at least five people dead, including two Taliban police and three Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) gunmen, a Taliban official said. Khalid Zadran, the Taliban spokesman for the Kabul police chief, said police had launched an operation against the gunmen's hideout, killing at least three in the Karti Sakhi neighborhood in western Kabul. He said the gunmen were local ISIS-Khorasan fighters. There was no immediate claim of responsibility.
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [ABC News](#)

(U) Armenia – Troops of Azerbaijan and Nagorno-Karabakh Clash, Three Killed

(U) Yerevan – Clashes between Armenian and Azerbaijani forces reignited in the separatist region of Nagorno-Karabakh, where three soldiers were reported killed. Nagorno-Karabakh military officials said drone attacks carried out by Azerbaijani forces killed two of their troops and wounded another 14. Azerbaijan's Defense Ministry said one of the country's servicemembers died in alleged "terrorist act" by "illegal Armenian military formations." The Azerbaijani military carried out a "retaliatory operation" in response, killing and wounding an unspecified number of "illegal Armenian militants."
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [Washington Post](#)

(U) Greece – Five Charged with Smuggling 96 Migrants

(U) Athens – Five people were arrested on a Greek Island and charged with trying to smuggle nearly 100 migrants into Europe on an unsafe vessel last week, using what appears to be a new direct sea route from crisis-afflicted Lebanon to Italy. Greece's coast guard said the suspected smugglers were detained from among 101 people on the motor yacht found drifting last Thursday 75-miles southeast of Greece's southeastern Aegean Island of Karpathos. It said the suspects were all from Lebanon.
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [ABC News](#)

(U) Mexico – Journalist and Two Others Killed, 13th This Year

(U) Mexico City – A journalist was among three people killed inside a bar in central Mexico, the 13th media worker killed in the country this year. Press freedom organization Article 19 said that armed attackers stormed a bar owned by Méndez's family in San Luis de la Paz. Méndez was the director of the local outlet Tu Voz, or Your Voice and had also worked until three-years ago at the news site Zona Franca, according to its director Carmen Martínez.
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [AP news](#)

(U) Spain – Police Investigate Spate of Nightclub Needle Jabs

(U) Madrid – Police are investigating approximately 50 reported cases of women getting pricked with medical needles while at nightclubs or parties, a trend that previously came to the attention of authorities in other European countries. Police said that 23 of the recently reported needle attacks were in north-east Spain's Catalonia region. So far, Spanish police have not confirmed any cases of sexual assault or robbery related to the jabs. Waves of needle attacks at musical events have also confounded authorities in France, Britain, Belgium and the Netherlands. In many cases, it also was not clear if the victims were injected with a substance.
SOURCE: 3 August 2022, [NBC News](#)

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